

La Peña Cultural Center
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La Peña Cultural Center

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The café is an independently operated family business run by Pablo and Miriam Valenzuela.
Wed. & Thurs.: 5:30pm-9:30pm
Fridays: 11am-10:30pm
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La Peña disclaimer: Since 1975, more than 1,000 community groups have used La Peña's space. The use of our space does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña believes that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion & understanding among different peoples & points of view.

* Indicates that this program is a community rental and/or benefit and that La Peña discount cards are not valid.
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Two-Month Calendar

(See back for August 2010)

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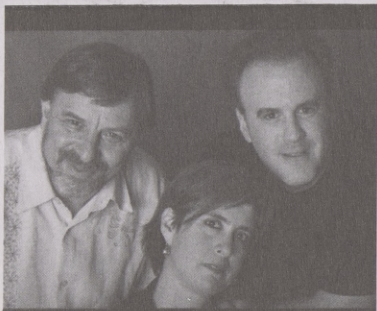
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SEE AUGUST 2010 ON THE BACK



Tanaóra 7/8



Berta Olivia y Mariachi Mexicanísimo 7/16



The Embodiment Project 7/10

THURSDAY

1 WOMEN DRUMMERS INT.

Born to Drum

Concert of women drummers gathered for the weekend camp, *Born To Drum*: Edwina Lee Tyler, Ubaka Hill, Lora Chiorah-Dye, Sheree Seretse, Jackie Rago, Mabiba Baegne, Nydia Liberty Mata, Carolyn Brandy, Virginia Lopez, Las Bomberas De La Bahia, Afia Walking Tree, Susu Pampanin, Suki Michaelle Goerlitz, Elizabeth Sayre, Adwoa Tacheampong, with dancers Ava Square-Levias & Michelle 'Buffy' Drysdale.
7:30pm \$22 adv. \$25 dr.

FRIDAY

2 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

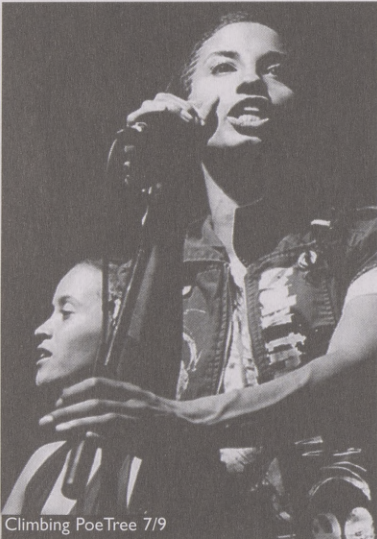
SATURDAY

3 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN



Watch the World Cup at Café Valparaíso

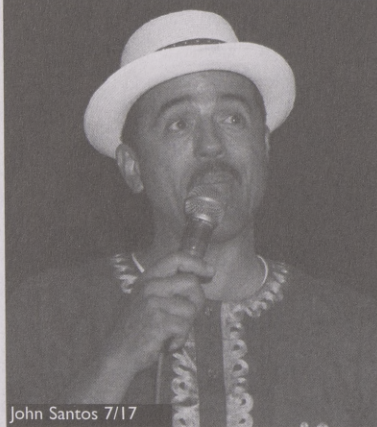
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Climbing PoeTree 7/9



Avtocja 7/25



John Santos 7/17

SUNDAY

4 COMMUNITY EVENT IN THE CAFE LOBBY

Community participatory event
Domingo de Rumba
There are three basic types of rumba in Cuba: yambu is a slower, simpler style; the guaguanco, a moderate to fast style where the rhythm can be more complex, and the columbia, the fastest style danced by solo males who perform to demonstrate their strength, agility, and sense of humor.

3:30-6pm Free

11 FLAMENCO

Flamenco Al Andaluz

An exploration of the links between Flamenco and North African music & dance. Featuring Gypsy singer Kina Mendez from Jerez, Spain; Flamenco dancer Kerensa DeMars and the Moroccan dancers, and musicians of El Hamideen.

8pm \$20 adv. \$25 dr.

18 COMMUNITY RUMBA 3:30-6PM

Quién Dijo Miedo: Honduras de un Golpe/Who is Afraid? Fathoming the Honduran Coup
(Dir. by Katia Lara, 110min. Prod. by Terco Producciones). A chronicle of the nonviolent struggle of the Honduran people to resist a dictatorship. The film shows the origins of the military coup that happened in Honduras on June 28, 2009 that overthrew the democratically elected government of Manuel Zelaya. Filmmaker in person for Q & A.
7pm \$10

25 MEXICAN TARDEADA 3-6PM

Avotcja's 69th Birthday Bash

Musicians and poets gather to celebrate Avotcja's 69th birthday. She is an award winning poet, multi-instrumentalist and a celebrated DJ at KPFA and KPOO. See website www.lapena.org for list of musicians and poets.

7pm \$10-\$20 sliding scale

WEDNESDAY

7 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

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8 CONCERT

Tanaóra

Led by singer-songwriter Cecilia Engelhart, pianist Bob Karty, and percussionist Michael Spiro, the sextet Tanaóra plays a compelling blend of Latin and Brazilian jazz from their recent CD *Dia Real* & new originals. Accompanied by band members David Belove, bass, Colin Douglas, drums, and Harvey Wainapel, saxes.
8pm \$10 gen. \$7 students

15 COMMUNITY EVENT

Rama presents Go Ohana!

(Hawai'ian for family)
A showcase of Asian American musicians, spoken word artists, dancers, video/multidisciplinary artists, and visual artists.
Hosted by **Ryan Takemiya**.
7:30pm \$10 *
(no one turned away for lack of funds)

22 TWO DAYS

Two Days: Thursday & Friday 22 & 23

La Esquinita USA
is a black/brown town whose main source of employment has gone to China leaving the people in disarray. What happens when promises from Big Business are broken? Meet 10 characters in this solo performance by Ruben C. Gonzalez.
8pm \$10 gen. \$8 w/student ID
(Group rate for students available. Please call 510-849-2568 ext. 20 for arrangements)

29 CONCERT

Infinitism

A jazz-hop experience. This quintet features up-and-coming Bay Area talent, pushing the definition of both jazz and hip-hop with original compositions and a youthful flare to set the stage on fire!
8pm \$10 gen. \$5 w/student ID

9 SPOKEN WORD

Climbing PoeTree

Richelle Donigan, Sparlha Swa, and other special guests.
A not-to-be-missed benefit for Common Fire and Be Present! Poetry, dance, music and more to nourish the soul.
8pm \$15-\$50 sliding scale donation*
<commonfire.org>
<bepresent.org>

16 MARIACHI

Viva el Mariachi comes to La Peña! Berta Olivia y su Mariachi Mexicanísimo!
Two non-stop hours of phenomenal cultural tradition. Sing and dance the night away to an effervescent experience of outstanding mariachi music.
8pm
\$20 or 2 for \$35 adv. \$25dr.
<bertaolivia.com>

23 SOLO PERFORMANCE

Orquesta La Moderna Tradición
From the first note, you'll want to jump out of your seat! Orquesta La Moderna Tradición bursts with the sweet yet driving sound of the Afro-Cuban charanga orchestra, which features violins and woodwinds interlocking with driving Afro-Cuban rhythms.
9:30pm \$14

30 CONCERT / DANCE

Grupo Falso Baiano & Samba de Raiz

Grupo Falso Baiano performs an energetic blend of instrumental Brazilian choro, samba and jazz. Their new project, featuring Brazilian vocalist Ana Carbatti, explores samba de raiz - the authentic roots samba of Rio de Janeiro.
9pm \$12 adv. \$14 dr.

LA PEÑA'S EXHIBITS • JULY / AUGUST 2010

July 9-August 3: Theater & Café Lobby
"Flamenco and Other Needed Poems"
This series of paintings beckons viewers to enter the passion, pride, and intensity of the human figure. Through the dance of light, realism, and Spanish flare, the Spanish painter **Blanco de San Roman** brings a new voice to the Bay Area through the paintings of Flamenco. Opening reception July 10, 6-8pm in Lobby.

FLAMENCO

AND OTHER NEEDED POEMS



Orquesta La Moderna Tradición 7/24

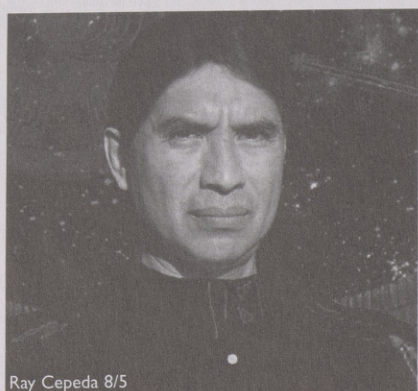


Grupo Falso Baiano 7/30

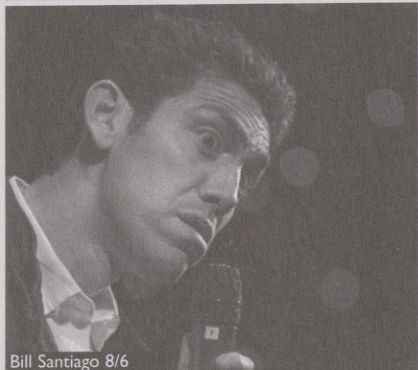
News Flash from Haiti
Haiti Action Committee presents eyewitness reports from the earthquake zone, with photos & video, on the work of grassroots orgs. & their growing mobilizations for democracy, participation in relief efforts, and the return of former President Aristide.
Sat. July 10 • 4-6 pm \$7-\$20 sliding scale
No one turned away for lack of funds.

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Ray Cepeda 8/5



Bill Santiago 8/6



Annette A. Aguilar 8/13



Marina Lavallo 8/21



Salvadora Galan 8/27



Pellejo Seco 8/20

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The Rebirth: For street dancers of all styles! Mondays 9-11pm

All levels are welcome. An open and inclusive environment for dancers of all levels to cypher, build community, & improvise with live musicians. Open freestyle practice sessions for street dancers of all styles including House, B-boying/B-girling, Hip-Hop Proper, Popping, Waacking, Locking, and dances of the African Diaspora. Two resident DJ's will spin mostly deep soulful house & hip-hop. Each week there will be guest local MC's, vocalists, or percussionists.

WEDNESDAY

4 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

Make a difference through the arts! **Support La Peña!** During these tough economic times, individual contributions make a significant difference in La Peña's annual programming. If you can, please make a donation to support our plethora of art.

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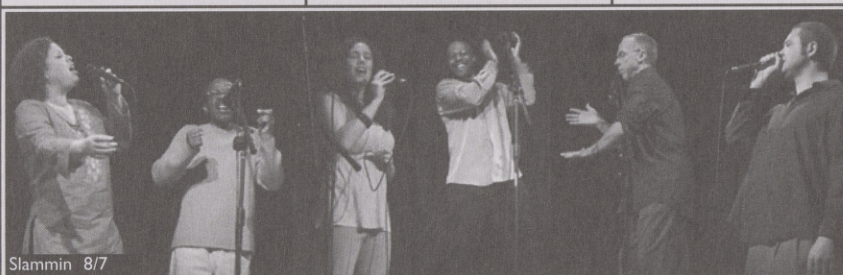
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25 CAFE VALPARAISO OPEN

THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS FUNDERS!
Alameda County Arts Commission, Berkeley Civic Arts Commission, Doris Duke Charitable Foundation, Ford Foundation, Gerbode Foundation, Kaiser Permanente Thrive, National Performance Network, The James Irvine Foundation, LIA Fund, National Endowment for the Arts, Nonprofit Finance Fund, San Francisco Foundation, Walter and Elise Haas Fund, William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, Vanguard Foundation, Zellerbach Family Fund and to our many generous individual donors.



Slammin 8/7

ATTENTION STUDENTS:

Do your part for Cultural Activism and Social Justice and become a La Peña volunteer or intern today! Internships for school credit can also be arranged. Call Mariola at (510) 849-2568 ext.13 or mariola@lapena.org

SUPPORT LA PEÑA

Individual Donors Make a Difference! Please Support our 35th Anniversary year! No amount is too large or too small. Your donations help La Peña continue its 35th year of programming concerts, exhibits, films, lectures, forums, poetry, classes, children's concerts, and supporting new and creative work. Think globally and act locally. Support your community based cultural center. We look forward to your continued support in 2010!

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THURSDAY

5 LATIN DANCE BAND

Ray Cepeda
brings his *World Rock Latin Dance Band* a *Fiesta Celebration*. The Band plays an eclectic music style that fuses Salsa with Rock and Brazilian Dance Music. The band will play songs from Ray Cepeda's latest CD, *Angels over Avalon* & *Aztlan* along with classic hits from Cuba, Brazil and all over Latin America.
8:30pm \$10 adv. & students w/ID. \$12 dr.

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FRIDAY

6 COMEDY

Comedian and author
Bill Santiago
goes in search of God, exploring the comic nature of the cosmic quest, in his new show,
The Immaculate Big Bang, a workshop performance.
With special guest **Alicia Dattner** with excerpts from "Eat, Pray, Laugh".
8pm \$10 adv. \$12 dr.

13 LATIN JAZZ CONCERT

On Tour from NYC,
Annette A. Aguilar
The Latin and Brazilian jazz group, *Annette A. Aguilar & StringBeans* is a popular fixture of the NYC's East Village & Lower East Side music scene. The group has been in existence for 18 years, they have performed in the top venues and concert halls in NY and across the nation. Their latest CD is *The Day Waits for Nobody*.
8pm \$15 adv. \$20 dr.

20 DANCE / BAILE

Contemporary Cuban Son with
Pellejo Seco
A creative sound with its own distinct flavor that intertwines Afro-Cuban and Jazz, Latin pop, Brazilian, and Flamenco.
Salsa lessons with Molly Vitorte 8:30pm-9:30pm.
Dance at 9:30pm \$12

27 FLAMENCO CONCERT

Flamenco guitarist and singer
Salvadora Galan
brings you a night of traditional Flamenco music. As a flamenco singer who accompanies herself on guitar, Salvadora Galan is a rare talent indeed. Originally from Cadiz, Spain, Salvadora has been performing since the age of 13. She is thrilled to return to La Peña to share her unique musical abilities.
8pm \$12 adv. \$15 dr.

SATURDAY

7 BENEFIT CONCERT

For the International Body Music Festival
SLAMMIN All-Body Band
Bryan Dyer, Zoe Ellis, Steve Hogan, Keith Terry & Destani Wolf w/guest dancers Nuria Bowart, Namita Kapoor & Evie Ladin. Vocals, body music and beat boxing. Also, hambone artist Derique McGee. More info: internationalbodymusicfestival.com
8pm \$20 adv. \$25 dr.

14 HIP HOP CONCERT

Study Music & La Peña present:
Top notch hip hop with
Copywrite
(of The Weathermen/MHz) & **The Understudies**
With Citizen (DJ Set), Elijah The Poet (Oakland). *Copywrite* is best known for material with RJD2, J Dilla & Slaughterhouse. The Understudies, who recently released the album "We Out Here", will co-headline. All Ages.
8pm \$5 w/RVSP on Facebook \$7 gen.

21 CONCIERTO

Marina La Valle
presents *Maria Lando*.
A voyage through the route of beautiful repertoire that mark the golden years of Latin American song. An homage to **Maria Villegas**, an example of energy, vitality and happiness at her almost 100 years of age. A woman that has showed us that music is the best therapy for an everyday living.
8pm \$15 adv. 18 dr.

28 DANCE / BAILE

For the first time ever
Los Bros
Featuring Bay Area All-Stars: Louie Romero on timbales, Anthony Blea on violin, Saul Sierra on bass, Illuminado Yaya Maldonado on percussion and Hadley Loudon on piano. They bring their unique interpretation of Salsa to La Peña!
9:30pm \$11 adv. \$14 dr.

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Memories for the Future

La Peña Community History Project

Do you have videos, old fliers, photos or any other memento of you at La Peña? Do you have a story to tell about your experience at our center? Do you know someone with a good La Peña story? Let us know or send them to: La Peña Community History Project, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, CA 94705. Contact or call us at 510-849-2568 ext. 16. Leave a message and we will thank you with a free pass to a La Peña show.

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- ☐ \$500 *Padrino/Madrina* – receive an **Annual Pass**, which gets you free admission to **ALL La Peña events**
- ☐ \$250 *Victor Jara* – receive **4 Free Tickets** to any La Peña event
- ☐ \$100 *Paul Robeson* – receive **2 Free Tickets** to any La Peña event
- ☐ \$50 *Malvina Reynolds* – receive **1 Free Ticket** to any La Peña event
- ☐ \$35 *Compañero/Compañera* – You invest in La Peña and receive the calendar, newsletter, and mailings (only \$3 per month)
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